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FSA for Supply of Coal to Power Projects
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the supply of coal to power projects is lagging behind in spite of having proper Fuel Supply Agreements (FSAs);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER, NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) : In the current year (from 01.04.2016 to 31.12.16), total coal supply from CIL sources to power utilities has been 306.16 MT (Provisional), which is 93% of the supply plan target. In the case of FSA, coal despatch during the same period has been 289.42 MT (provisional), which is 82% of the committed quantity of 351.64 MT. Owing to comfortable coal stock available with them, some power plants have occasionally regulated their coal supply in the current year preferring to consume coal from their stocks. As a result, coal stock of TPPs has declined from 38.87 MT as on 01.04.16 to 21.998 MT on 29.01.17. Heavy rains in coalfields during Aug"16 and Sep"16, and local law and order issues in some pockets hampered coal transportation and wagon loading. There are some power generating companies with outstanding dues payable to CIL.
(c): Coal supplies to Power Utility sector is monitored regularly by an inter-Ministerial Sub-Group comprising representatives of Ministry of Power, Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Shipping, NITI, CEA, CIL, SCCL, NTPC constituted by the Infrastructure Review Committee of Cabinet Secretariat. This sub-group takes various operational decisions for meeting any contingent situations relating to Power sector including critical coal stock position of power plants. In addition, CIL has taken steps to make more coal available to the power sector under various e-auction schemes, reduced the reserve price of coal and extended offer of coal supply under "as is, where is" scheme for power utility sector consumers for 2016-17.
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